

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1110

By Curtiss

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize William Donald Haley for his service to White County Schools.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those Tennesseans who have devoted their careers to serving the students and families of this State's public schools; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable public school servant is William Donald "Donny" Haley, who has served with acumen and alacrity as Director of White County Schools since 1990; and

WHEREAS, Donny Haley is esteemed as a leader of singular integrity by all who have come to know him during his illustrious tenure; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Haley attended elementary school in Watertown before attending and graduating from White County High School, where he had served as class president, in 1964; and

WHEREAS, after earning a Bronze Star and Purple Heart while serving in Vietnam as a United States Marine, he attended Middle Tennessee State University and Tennessee Tech University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Haley served as the Assistant Principal at White County Junior High School from 1978-1990 and as the Athletic Director from 1973-1988; during his tenure at White County Junior High School, he coached both football and basketball, leading his teams to several championships; and

WHEREAS, highly respected among educators and directors across our State, Mr. Haley was elected to stand as Superintendent of White County Schools in August of 1990; and

WHEREAS, under his guidance, numerous projects have been completed in White County Schools, including the construction of two new schools, White County Middle School

and Northfield Elementary, the expansion or renovation of all elementary schools, and the addition of a new Freshman Academy wing, a new fitness complex, and a satellite site for Motlow State Community College at White County High School; and

WHEREAS, dedicated to providing a quality education for every student who attends White County Schools, Donny Haley also served as the chair of the Upper Cumberland Superintendent's Study Council and the State Executive Council; and

WHEREAS, a firm believer in the importance of community service, Mr. Haley served as a member of the Parks & Recreation Board for seventeen years and as a member of the Board of Directors for the city of Doyle for four years; and

WHEREAS, Donny Haley has been the recipient of various prestigious awards, including Superintendent of the Year; and

WHEREAS, over the course of his career in White County Schools, Mr. Haley has demonstrated the utmost commitment to the education and guidance of Tennessee's young people, and he is a credit to his community and this State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and recognize Donny Haley for his service as Director of White County Schools and extend our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.